

2023-2024 Fort Stewart & Hunter Army Airfield Season Dates & Bag Limits

Species	Weapon	Dates	Either Sex Dates	Bag Limit
Alligator	See Below ^a	18 Aug. (sunset) - 02 Oct. (sunrise)		1 statewide ^b
Deer	Archery	09 Sept. - 14 Jan.	09 Sept. - 13 Oct.	2 antlered ^d & 3 antlerless
	Primitive Firearms ^c	14 Oct. - 14 Jan.	14 Oct. - 20 Oct.	
	Firearms	21 Oct. - 14 Jan.	21 Oct. 28 Oct. 10-11 Nov. 23-26 Nov. 26-31 Dec.	
	Extended Archery ^e	15 Jan. - 31 Jan.	15 Jan. - 31 Jan.	
Turkey	Turkey Weapons	30 Mar. - 15 May		2 male turkeys per season. Daily bag of 1 ^f
Dove ^g	Modern Shotguns (with # 2 shot or smaller)	02 Sept. - 08 Oct. 18-26 Nov. 19 Dec. - 31 Jan.		15 per day
Quail/Rabbit	Modern Shotguns (with # 2 shot or smaller)	18 Nov. - 29 Feb.		12 per day
Snipe	Modern Shotguns (with # 2 shot or smaller)	15 Nov. - 28 Feb.		8 per day
Squirrel	Small Game Weapons	15 Aug. - 29 Feb.		12 per day
Woodcock	Modern Shotguns (with # 2 shot or smaller)	09 Dec. - 22 Jan.		3 per day
Teal/Canada Goose	Modern Shotguns (with # 2 shot or smaller)	09 Sept. - 24 Sept.		6 teal per day 5 geese per day
General Waterfowl	Modern Shotguns (with # 2 shot or smaller)	11-12 Nov. ^h 18-26 Nov. 09 Dec. - 28 Jan.		See Below ⁱ
Feral Hog/Coyote ^l	See Appendix C ^k	No closed season		No daily or season limits

Deer Either Sex Dates: A day when hunters may harvest either antlered or antlerless deer. If it is NOT an EITHER SEX DAY, hunters may only harvest antlered deer in general firearms training areas.

Antlerless deer are defined as deer that do not have visible antlers protruding through the skin or hairline.

In training areas designated as **ARCHERY ONLY & SHOTGUN/MUZZLELOADER/ARCHERY ONLY** you may harvest deer of either sex throughout the entire deer season.

a. Alligator hunters must use hand-held ropes or snares, snatch hooks, harpoons, gigs or arrows with a restraining line attached. Alligators must be dispatched immediately upon capture by using a handgun or bangstick, or by severing the spinal cord with a sharp implement.

b. Alligators may only be harvested by individuals who were successful in the iSportsman Zone 8A lottery drawing. Zone 8A alligator tags count toward your statewide bag limit of 1. Alligators must have an overall length of 4 feet or greater to be legally harvested.

c. Youth-only firearms days are not authorized during the 14 Oct. - 20 Oct. Primitive Weapons season.

d. Hunters may take a season total of 5 deer. No more than 3 may be antlerless deer and no more than 2 may be antlered bucks, one of which must have four points on one side at least 1 inch in length. Exception: Both bucks must meet the 4 points on 1 side antler restriction in the Quality Deer Management Area (ENTIRE E AND F AREAS). **The GA DNR 15 inch minimum outside spread rule DOES NOT APPLY ON FS/HAAF.**

e. The 15 Jan. -31 Jan. Extended Archery season is for **Hunter Army Airfield only**.

f. Turkeys harvested on Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield count against your GA statewide bag limit of 2 birds. Only male turkeys may be harvested.

g. Managed dove fields will be open for dove hunting Saturdays, Sundays, Wednesdays, & Federal holidays. Dove hunters must be checked into a field to legally hunt in managed dove fields. Legal shooting hours for doves are 30 minutes prior to sunrise until sunset

h. The 11-12 Nov. waterfowl hunting dates are only for Active Duty Military, Veterans, and their youth dependants.

i. **Duck Species Daily Bag Limits:** 6 per day, not to exceed the following species daily limits: 1 Black or Mottled Duck, 2 Canvasback, 1 Fulvous Whistling Duck, 2 Mallards (only 1 may be a hen), 1 Pintail, 2 Redheads, 1 Scaup, 3 Wood Ducks, 2 Hooded Mergansers.

j. Feral hogs and coyotes are considered nuisance species. They can be hunted year-round. Legal shooting hours are 30 minutes prior to sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset.

k. Authorized weapons for feral hog/coyote hunting change based upon other concurrent hunting seasons. See Appendix C for the legal weapons dates.